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Mr. J. Edgar Hoover, Director Fed. Bureau Of Investigation U. S. Dept Of Justice Washington, D. C. 20535

Dear Mr. Hoover:

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Would you like to see the enclosed OPERATION ALERT ad in newspapers acros the country?

So would I, because as Stewart Alsop said in the October 5 issue of NEWSWEEK, "The Soviet Union has been behaving, in fact, as though the trate balance of power has shifted sharply in its favor. And that is, of course, precisely what has happened."

On October 9, as though to underscore Alsop's statement, Soviet leader Brezhnev warned the United States that if it intervened in the Middle East it might "not only burn fingers but even lose an arm."

Concurrently, the White House has warned the Soviets against continuing to build a missile sub base in Cuba. Because of the changed strategic military balance it is very doubtful that Brezhnev will back down this time.

However, the general public is not yet aware of the changed balance. is so, according to Alsop, because "as far as the politicians are concerned, it (the changed strategic balance) might as well not exist".

This is changing fast because both the Senate and the House Republican Campaign Committees as well as the Democratic House Campaign Committee are distributing copies of the OPERATION ALERT report to candidates across the nation. Seventeen key Senate candidates are or soon will be distributing reports by the tens of thousands.

Key candidates have asked us to reinforce this immediately by ads in their We would like to buy ads in newspapers all across the country, but we have spent every available cent on distributing the first two and onehalf million copies of the report.

We need your further help now to pay for these ads and to otherwise expand OPERATION ALERT. REC-52/00-4258

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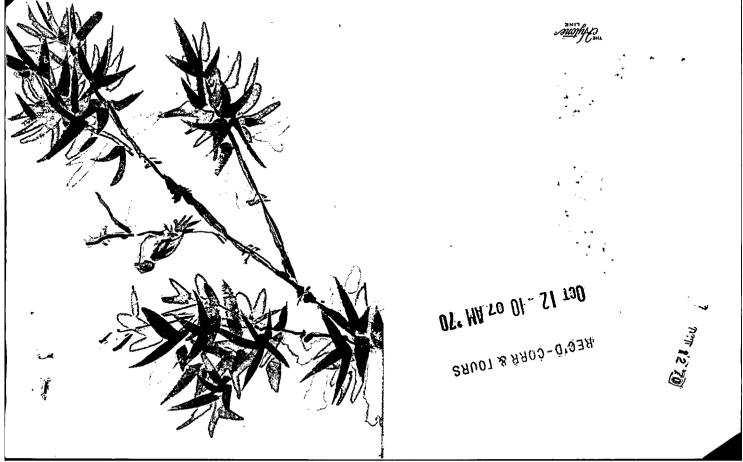
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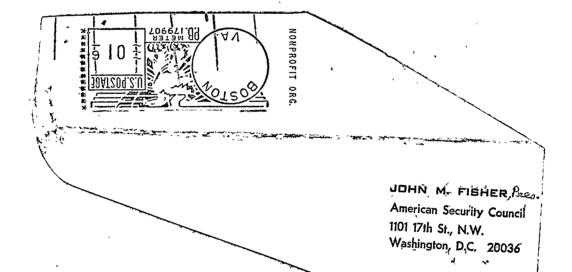
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Dear Mr. Hoover:

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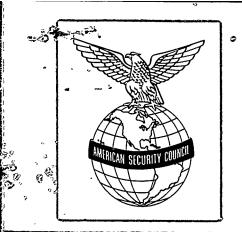
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Just a year ago, Washington Report discussed. the plans for the Vietnam Moratorium and various other anti-Vietnam activities to be carried out by the newly-formed New Mobe. New Mobe, more properly New Mobilization For Peace in Vietnam, had been hammered together in Cleveland last year and included in its ranks, activists from various pacifist, Communist and Trotskyite groups. By the time it had arranged and managed the November "Mobilization" in Washington last fall, its administrative machinery was firmly in the hands of the Trotskvites.

It was obvious that the many factions represented in New Mobe could not long remain together under the narrowly dogmatic leadership of the Socialist Workers Party (a communist splinter faction based on the teachings of Trotsky) and its affiliated groups, the Young Socialist Alliance and Student Mobilization. After the fall demonstrations, the factionalism began in earnest and New Mobe began to come apart at the seams. The Trotskyites pulled away from New Mobe leaving it under the domination of some old-line Communist Party people and itinerant leftist-pacifists and by late spring, 1970 were ready with their own operation.

The National Emergency Conference

On June 19-21, the SWP, Young Socialist Alliance and Student Mobe staged a "National Emergency Conference" in Cleveland, Ohio. According to the Party's paper, The Militant, 1,447 were registered including the usual assortment of standard figureheads purporting to represent non-communist groups. Among the speakers listed in The Militant were Dr. George Traicoff, a Dean at Cuyahoga Community College, John Gergen, Vice President, Council of Churches of Greater Cleveland—and—Rosalio—Munoz—of—the Chicano Moratorium Committee. Even Cleveland Mayor Carl Stokes sent a telegram of support. But the communist-oriented Guardian provided a more factual though equally Marxist account:

> "The meeting signified a deepening split in the anti-war movement. There were no representatives from the New Mobilization Committeethe major anti-war coalition. Nor any from the Communist Party, Women's Strike for Peace or traditional anti-

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war groups. All of the organized political tendencies present, except the Progressive Labor Party, had their roots in the Trotskyite movement."

The end product of the meeting was the formation of a National Peace Action Coalition, dominated by the Trotskyites and focused on the single issue of immediate withdrawal of all U.S. troops from Vietnam.

No Mass Action Planned

At the time of the Conference, demonstrations were planned for a number of U.S. cities on October 31 and local groups were set up to implement them, but real planning has been slow to take shape. Thus, on October 1, a six-column ad was placed in the New York *Times* calling for a National Strike For Peace on October 15. No mass demonstrations were planned but, rather a number of alternative suggestions were made ranging from letterwriting to local demonstrations to just "think peaceful thoughts." A second ad appeared in the *Times* of October 4.

In the meantime, with New Mobe floundering, the Communist Party USA, has not been standing still. Party functionaries and activists were very much in evidence at a "Strategy Action Conference" run by New Mobe in Milwaukee late in June. Most of the 800 persons attending the Milwaukee meetings represented the same groups that had formed New Mobe but this time, the Trotskyites were not in the driver's seat. Fred Halstead, the SWP's titular head was present with some lesser Party lights but they were clearly on the outside, looking in.

The Strategy Action Conference, as had been urged by Communist Party leaders, recommended a program of action to go beyond opposition to the war. In classic Communist style, the "class struggle" was urged as a fundamental part of future actions.

Actions Endorsed

In actual fact, the Conference formally decided almost nothing except that regional meetings would be held in August and that the Conference would re-convene in September to plan a course of action, a tactic which may have provided time for the C.P. faction to consolidate its power. The Conference did endorse a number of actions but made no move to implement them. Almost everybody's "pet project?" was included in the actions. They included:

- "- support for NWRO (National Welfare Rights Organization) struggle for an annual income of \$5,500.
- Call for disruption of the war machine in Washington.
- Develop emergency decentralized disruptive tactics in the event of major escalation of repression at home or war abroad.
- endorse circulation of a mass petition on black genocide to be delivered to the U.N.
- encourage work stoppages and withdrawal of labor services during the year ahead.
- fight against sexism within the movement and in the larger community.
- intensify support for draft resistance specifically as expressed in the UNDO (Union for National Draft Opposition) proposal.
- endorse the broad action program of the Chicano Moratorium
- Advance a national economic boycott focused on the refusal to buy products of the Standard Oil Corporation."

The Communist Approach

During July, Claude Lightfoot, Vice Chairman of the CPUSA discussed the sessions with the C.P.'s Political Committee. His remarks were distributed to the Party faithful in the

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August issue of Party Affairs, a C. P. internal organ. Lightfoot told his comrades of the problem of New Mobe's disintegration and the "danger" that the "peace" issue "might be diminished". He said, "We went to Atlanta and to Milwaukee and found that New Mobe is already almost out of existence. When I spoke to Dowd (Douglas Dowd, professor of economics, Cornell University) and some of the rest about it, they said: 'Well, look, we may not need New Mobe now that we've got this." Lightfoot, however, indicated the need for New Mobe as a single issue group to complement the move to a multi-issue group.

In addition, Lightfoot said, "Now regarding the Cleveland conference sponsored by the Trotskyites, it would have been suicide if Arnold Johnson (the C.P.'s publicity director) or any of us had showed up there—in terms of even our relationship with the New Mobe, because these people were under attack."

Then Lightfoot revealed the Communist Party's purpose in their participation. "When the New Mobe regional conferences take place, we can't do as we did in Milwaukee, just have a little handful of people. We have to get in there. And, if we get in there with both feet, I think we will be in a position together with the rank-and-file labor development, together with the Genocide Petition which cuts across all of this—which brings all of it to focus around an issue—we are on our way to the beginnings of the building of a mass party."

Midwest Regional Meeting

The C. P. did, indeed "get in there with both feet". The Midwest Regional Conference held August 28-30 in Wheeling, a Chicago suburb, was arranged by the Chicago Peace Council, run by Sylvia Kushner, a self-admitted party member. Of about 75 people present, fully 20 were either members of the Com-

munist Party, members of the Party's new youth front, the Young Workers Liberation League or representatives of the Chicago Peace Council.

The Strategy Action Conference re-convened in Milwaukee from September 11 to 13 and formed the National Coalition Against War, Racism and Repression, a title that reflects the multi-purpose character of the group. Its program includes demonstrations in support of the Black Panthers, demonstrations at welfare offices, local peace demonstrations on October 31 and two future mass demonstrations. One is to be held during the week of November 15 at the U.N. building in New York to protest alleged American "genocide" and the other, set for early May, 1971 is to be a massive anti-Vietnam program "which will include nonviolent civil disobedience and other non-violent mass action."

It is worth noting that the Midwest Region of the New Coalition will be located in Room 1416, 343 South Dearborn Street, Chicago, the offices of the Chicago Peace Council. Sylvia Kushner and Pat Richartz of the CPC staff are the contacts.

On September 19, the Trotskyite group, now the National Peace Action Coalition, met in Chicago to firm up plans for their October 31 demonstrations.

New Mobe Dead

So, New Mobe is dead and the Trotskyites and CPUSA are fighting over the bones. The Trotskyites have demonstrated the organizational talent to put together a massive demonstration but the groups who furnish most of the bodies for this sort of demonstration, Women's Strike For Peace, the Southern Christian Leadership Conference, The National Welfare Rights Organization, the American Friends Service Committee and the other left-

overs from New Mobe have gone along with the New C.P.-dominated group.

In a recently published pamphlet entitled, "Terrorism-Is It Revolutionary?", Gil Green, a member of the National Committee of the CPUSA, rejects the current wave of urban guerrilla warfare tactics, at least for the present. His argument is that a real revolutionary situation does not yet exist in the United States and that, therefore, acts of terrorism and violence still only serve to arouse resistance to the entire revolutionary movement. For its view of "prematurism" the CPUSA is regarded as "old and stogy" by many of the more violence-prone activists of the New Left but the C. P. sees its task as one of building. It still stands in a unique position, having behind it the power base of the U.S.S.R. It hopes to use its present role in "the movement" not to create an immediate armed conflict but, rather, to gather numerical strength, re-infiltrate to

positions of some influence and remain at the beck and call of its Soviet principal.

The Communist Party **Position**

The C P's present line is political but it does not see power through political means. It remains a Marxist-Leninist Party, accepting the basic Leninist dogma which demands revolutionary overthrow.

It must be remembered and, perhaps, reemphasized that the interests of the U.S.S.R., whether manifested in Vietnam, the Middle East, Paris or Helsinki remain totally hostile to those of the United States. We must also remember and re-emphasize that the Communist Party USA, like its 81 counterparts in other nations of the non-communist world, has only one loyalty, one master, the Communist Party of the Soviet Union.

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John M. Fisher American Security Council 1101 17th St., N.W. Washington, D.C. 20036

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Dear Sirs,

I would appreciate your assessment of the following organization.

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FROM

M. A. Jones

SUBJECT: REQUEST FOR BUREAU REPRESENTATIVE

TO APPEAR ON RADIO PROGRAM.

WASHINGTON REPORT''

(MUTUAL BROADCASTING SYSTEM (MBS)

Holmes Gandy

Welliave been contacted by Mr. John Beinhardt, who produces captioned radio program which is presented by the American Security Council daily over the nationwide facilities of MBS.

Mr. Beinhardt indicated great interest in the Director's Year-End Press Release detailing accomplishments of the Bureau in 1970, and he wondered if it would be possible to have you, Mr. Bishop, as a guest to be interviewed on this program concerning the data in this release.

Mr. Beinhardt was especially interested in that section of the release where it was noted that the National Coalition Against War, Racism, and Repression might close down Washington. Mr. Beinhardt was advised that if such an appearance could be arranged, there could be no elaboration over and above this release. He said he understood completely. He went on to state that it would be perfectly satisfactory for us to prepare a series of questions and answers running for approximately 2 and 1/2-3minutes. You, Mr. Bishop, could record the answers here at the Bureau and Beinhardt would later dub in the questions.

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M. A. Jones to Bishop Memo
RE: REQUEST FOR BUREAU REPRESENTATIVE
TO APPEAR ON RADIO PROGRAM
"WASHINGTON REPORT"

RECOMMENDATIONS:

(1) That we telephonically advise Mr. Beinhardt (296-4587) that you, Mr. Bishop, will be available to make a recording for use on this program.

(2) That the Crime Research Section prepare an appropriate series of questions and answers based on the above press rêlease.

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RADIO SCRIPT "WASHINGTON REPORT" MUTUAL BROADCASTING SYSTEM

(Appropriate introductory remarks.)

MR. BEINHARDT:

Mr. Bishop, I noted with interest that FBI Director

J. Edgar Hoover recently released a statement on FBI accomplishments during 1970. I wondered if you would highlight some of the FBI's work in the field of revolutionary activity?

MR. BISHOP:

I certainly will. Increased activities of New Left types, militants, and revolutionaries caused a marked increase in FBI investigations last year. The violent and terroristic Weatherman group, a former faction of the Students for a Democratic Society, proclaimed that the 1970's would make the sixties look like a Sunday school picnic. This was no idle threat, because last March a series of dynamite explosions destroyed a Greenwich Village town house in New York City, killing three Weathermen. Later that month, dynamite and other explosives were found in an apartment rented to a Weatherman in

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Chicago. In May, a statement attributed to a Weatherman leader declared a state of war against the United States. There followed numerous bombings directed at colleges, Government installations and business establishments throughout the country, and the Weatherman group claimed credit for several of these. There is one encouraging note, however, A recent communication from the Weatherman underground states that the movement is shifting its tactics from "violent revolution" to "cultural revolution," and it calls for members to go out into the air, to organize rallies, demonstrations, and mass actions. It is too early to say what effect this will have on Weatherman activity.

MR. BEINHARDT:

Are there other groups besides the Weatherman which pose a threat to our country's security?

MR. BISHOP:

There certainly are. A group known by the innocuous title of the National Coalition Against War, Racism, and Repression, has threatened to close down Washington, D. C., this May. A leader of this group is Rennie Davis, who was convicted in Chicago for violation of antiriot laws. Davis has said that a peace treaty will be negotiated with the North Vietnamese and the treaty will be circulated

throughout the United States for ratification by the people.

An ultimatum will then be issued to the U. S. Government to totally withdraw from North Vietnam by May of this year.

If this is not done, according to Davis, plans for closing down Washington will be put into motion.

MR. BEINHARDT: What about the Black Panther Party, Mr. Bishop?

MR. BISHOP: The Black Panther Party is also a serious threat to our

internal security. Huey P. Newton, the party's supreme

commander, has been quoted as saying: "It must always

be remembered, understood and realized that our goal

is to crush American capitalism and American imperialism.

Because without this we can do nothing." End quote.

Acts by persons who identified themselves as Black Panthers

resulted in the deaths of six police officers and the wounding

of 22 others last year.

MR. BEINHARDT: Thank you, Mr. Bishop. It sounds like the FBI has its

work cut out for it in coming months. But I'm sure our

citizens take comfort in the fact that the Bureau is ever

alert to those groups which would subvert our Government
and our way of life.

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South Bend, Indiana 46614

Dear

Your letter of January 30th, with enclosure, has been received and I can understand the concern which prompted you to write.

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A NEW SEASON OF PROTEST

For the past several years, a segment of the American news media has treated the rising tide of protest and violence as though it were a spontaneous manifestation of popular opposition to American involvement in Vietnam and, indeed opposition to most of our nation's institutions. Because much of the protest and violence has been committed in the name of "peace", many well-meaning Americans have joined in the outcry thereby adding to the appearance of spontaneity. The fact is that the demonstrations of the past have been carefully planned and the results have, thus, been entirely predictable.

A Canadian Meeting

Information received from a Canadian source has revealed that much of the preliminary planning for the 1970 actions was done at asemi-secret meeting held on January 30 and 31, 1970 at the Hotel LaPointe in the Laurentians near St. Jerome, Quebec. According to the Canadian source, the meeting was attended by members of the Communist Party of Canada, The Communist Party, USA, Womens Strike For Peace, The German Peace Society, The Black Panthers, the World Peace Council and other similar groups. The unofficial "host" of the meeting was reported to have been V. K. Krishna Mennon, one-time Indian delegate to the United Nations and a longtime foe of the U.S. A delegation from North Vietnam made an appearance as well.

At this meeting it was decided that a new coalition of student radicals, peace movement groups, militant Black organizations and leftwing educators would be formed to manage the 1970 actions.

Among the actions decided on by the meeting were the following:

- A campaign of telegrams directed to President Nixon bearing only the word, "Stop".
- Nationwide demonstrations to be held in American cities on April 17 to urge the witholding of income taxes.
- The planning and execution of demonstrations aimed against major American corporations.

These plans and others were, later in 1970, morê fully formulated at an international meeting in Stockholm and were implemented in the United States as the year progressed.

The Stockholm Conference

Now, at the close of the year, as a new season of protest is approaching, another meeting has been held in Stockholm, this time to plan what may be in store for us in the year to come. The World Conference on Vietnam, Laos and Cambodia was held from November 28 to 30, 1970 under the auspices of the World Peace Council. Sixty nations were represented including contingents from the U.S.S.R., Algeria, Bulgaria, Cuba, Czechoslovakia, East Germany, Hungary,

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Mongolia, Poland, Romania, Yugoslavia and, of course, the United States. The entire meeting was occupied with a propaganda barrage against the United States and the making of plans for the future. That United States representatives might participate in such a meeting could seem surprising unless one notes that the two U.S. members of the Presidential Committee of the World Peace Council, sponsor of the conference, are Dr. Herbert Aptheker, chief theorititian of the Communist Party, USA and Dr. Carlton Goodlett, a joiner of many Communist fronts and once a teacher at the Communist-run California Labor School. Among other Americáns present at Stockholm were Gil Green of the CPUSA, Sylvia Kushner, a self-admitted CP member representing the Chicago Peace Council, David Dellinger who calls himself an "anti-Soviet communist," Professor Sidney Peck of the New Mobilization Committee, Stanley Faulkner, a New York attorney and Congressman-elect Ronald Dellums. Both Faulkner and Mrs. Kushner had also been present at the 1970 meeting in St. Jerome. If the World Peace Council requires further characterization, it can be pointed out that other U.S. members include Jack Speigel and Irving Sarnoff, both once identified as Communist Party members in sworn testimony, Angie Dickerson, a recent defender of the Black Panthers, Mrs. Pauline Rosen of Womens Strike For Peace and Rev. Richard Morford of the National Council of American-Soviet Friendship, one of the oldest of the old line Communist front groups. Mrs. Rosen also attended the 1970 meeting in the Laurentians.

The Terms for Peace

The tone for the meeting was set by Romcsh Chandra of India who is Secretary-General of the WPC. Chandra called for "peace" in Indochina based exclusively on four plans. The plans are:

- "1. The Four Points of the Government of the Democratic Republic of Vietnam," (That's North Vietnam.)
- "2. The 10 point overall solution—of the South Vietnam National Liberation Front and the Provisional Revolutionary Government of the Republic of South Vietnam." (That's the Viet Cong.)
- "3. The 5 Point solution of the Central Committee of the Lao Patriotic Front." (That's the Pathet Lao.)
 - and, "4. The five-point proclamation of the

Head of State of Cambodia." (That's Norodon Sihanouk.)

The Conference heard glowing reports of the military successes of the Vietcong, the Pathet Lao and the Cambodian guerrillas. It heard speeches by representatives of North Vietnam, the U.S.S.R., the Viet Cong, the Pathet Lao and from Congressman-elect Dellums who represents Berkeley, California. It did not hear any favorable mention of the United States of America but it did hear giant-sized doses of shopworn communist propaganda cliches.

The New Congressman

In fairness, it must be stated that Mr. Dellums provided the only note of moderation to be found at the conference but, in this case, moderation, like excess, is relative. He said, for instance, "I have listened with concerned attention to the representatives of the peoples of Indochina as they have described the behavior of the military and the government of my country in the prosecution of this damnable war."

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"We look upon the initial conflict in South Vietnam as a civil war and, true to the position of our Federal Government during the days of the United States civil war, we condemn outside intervention."

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"I doubt that I could lend any additional information to what you already know of the terrible events over the past seven years in the Vietnam War. Suffice it to say, never before in recorded history have the people of such a small nation demonstrated such heroism, courage and fortitude as the people of Vietnam in their twenty-five year struggle against foreign domination and external oppression."

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"I stand before you as a demonstration that the peace forces of my country are becoming increasingly effective in the political pursuit of their task—, of electing to the Congress persons who will respond to the cry: 'OUT OF SOUTH-EAST ASIA NOW!'"

* * *

"I consider the opportunity to participate in this international conference on Indochina an im-

portant event in the metamorphosis of candidate and Congressman-elect Ronald Dellums into a more informed representative of the 7th Congressional District of California."

The American Deserters

Also present at the Stockholm conference were representatives of the American Deserters Committee in Sweden, many of whom are finding a growing antipathy among their Swedish hosts because of their increasing use of narcotics, armed robbery and sex crimes as vehicles of political protest. The deserters made an eloquent plea for funds and condemned the Swedish government for the deportation of some of the most undesirable of their lot. Revealingly, they characterized the changing attitude of Swedish officials as indicating "a general change in Swedish policy toward deserters. It is an effort to begin closing Sweden not only to U.S. military refugees but also to the increasing number of non-military political refugees which are starting to show here in Sweden." In the context of the deserters' thinking and the conference generally, we might speculate that the non-military political refugees may be members of the Weatherman faction of S.D.S. now being sought by Federal authorities for acts of bombing, robbery, murder and riot.

Message from the Pathet Lao

The conference received a message from Prince Souphanouvong, leader of the communist Pathet Lao forces who, in describing his group's goals, also kept the conference aware of its goal. He said, "Stronger because of the vigorous support of all nations who love peace, freedom and justice through the world, and more particularly the Socialist Nations, the Lao people is determined to bring disaster to the United States 'special war' in Laos."

Proposed Protest Dates

After hearing one anti-American harangue after another, a commission of the conference presented a program of future action well in line with the aim "to bring disaster to the United States." The campaign will not be confined to the United States alone but we are its sole target. The slogan is an old one: "For the withdrawal of American Forces from Indochina." According to the report, "This campaign will take on different forms and methods and will have different durations according to national conditions but will follow the main

theme and slogan which we propose. In order to facilitate concerted action on an international level, this campaign could be organized around a number of dates:

- "December 20-10th anniversary of the foundation of the National Liberation Front
- "January 26-The National Tet Festival
- "March 6-1st anniversary of the declaration of the central committee of the Patriotic Front of Laos for the solution of these problems
- "April 3-4—Day of solidarity with actions in the United States against the American aggression in Indochina on the occasion of the anniversary of the assassination of Martin Luther King.
- "April 30—Day of solidarity with the Khmer people (Cambodia) one year after the aggression by the American troops."

The Missing Dates

The conference was unable to fill in at least one date because the two principal U.S. "peace" forces, The National Peace Action Coalition, operated by Trotskyite Socialist Workers Party and the National Coalition Against War, Racism and Repression, in which the Communist Party is participating, had not been able to agree on a date. The conference, fully aligned with the Communist Party, did not care what the Trotskyites did but the NCAWRR had not, itself, fixed a firm date for its action.

The Trotskyites, who are rapidly overshadowing the Communists, both in their resolution of purpose and skill in organization, have fixed a date for their Spring protest. At a December 4-6 conference of the NPAC, a date of April 24 was fixed for "massive national anti-war demonstrations in Washington, D.C. and San Francisco." According to the SWP's official paper, The Militant, in its December 18 issue, 1200 people attended the conference. In contrast, the Communist Party, in a recent all-out effort to stage a "mass" anti-poverty march in South Bend, Indiana, was able to attract only about 75.

According to the *Militant* article, only a few members of NCAWRR were present at their meeting and "hardly any of them took part in the floor discussion." The sole exception seems to have been Sid Lens, one-time Secretary of the Revolutionary Workers League, a splinter communist faction, who seems to function as liaison between the two groups. Lens urged the Trots to try to "reunite the movement" by accepting the dates to be fixed by the NCAWRR at a meeting

in January. Present indications are that the key date to be fixed at that meeting will fall between May 1 and May 9 though Lens also indicated that there would be activity during the April 3-4 period suggested in Stockholm.

The Stockholm meeting had specifically pointed out the crucial importance of international support for the U.S. action during the early May period.

One of the most active participants in the NCAWRR planning is Rennie Davis, one of those found guilty in the Chicago "conspiracy" trial. Davis' plan is to attempt to immobilize many important functions of the Federal Government by blocking bridges and highways leading into the Nation's Capital, blocking access to key government facilities and pursuing any other tactics that might serve to bring the wheels of government to a halt. All of the factions in the NCAWRR have indicated an emphasis on "civil disobedience" as an important feature of the Washington protest. Davis and others in the movement have fixed June 30, 1971 as the deadline for U.S. withdrawal from Vietnam, a date that has been reflected even in the halls of Congress.

A Separate Protest

The Trotskyites, however, having had no difficulty in capturing the administrative machinery of New Mobe in 1969, are now feeling independent. They ignored Lens and selected April 24 as the date for their demonstrations though they indicated that they would support the activities of the NCAWRR. Although the NPAC is not working in harness with the Stockholm people, their activity is certainly not inconsistent with one of the planned actions, that of applying "maximum pressure on the U.S. government to make it stop its aggression."

Another action agreed to by the Stockholm delegates has already been begun in the United States. One of the suggested actions was "boycott of American products or companies, and especially, in cooperation with the American movement, boycott of those companies participating in the war effort. The NCAWRR has already announced that it will attempt to organize a boycott against Standard Oil, and General Electric and Honeywell have recently been added as key targets. The boycott effort is centered in the Chicago office of the Chicago Peace Council, a local communist front group operated by Sylvia Kushner.

While the Communist Party of the United States seems to be losing its relative influence within the revolutionary forces in this country, the various Communist groups operating at the international level have demonstrated once again in Stockholm that they view the struggle against the United States as one of worldwide scope. While the Trotskyites, New Leftists or a combination of these forces may wind up in a dominant position in the 1971 protests in the U.S., the strategy and tactics are still being mapped out on an international scale and Moscow is calling the shots.

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I have received your letter of February 15th, with enclosure, and want to thank you for your thoughtfulness. Your kind sentiments and support are most encouraging and certainly mean a great deal to me.

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The Honorable J.Edgar Hoover Director Federal Bureau of Investigation Washington, D.C.

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Dear Mr. Hoover:

Last summer I was recommended, because of some stories on the National scene, for membership in the American Security Council. I was welcomed as a member by the Board of Directors in a letter dated Sectember 3 1970.

I have heard of many of its members through the news mediand their credentials appear very good to me.

Also, I have received copies of the Council's "Washington Report" since September 28 1970. These appear quite credible.

I have ready access to the Dunkirk, N.Y. Observer - with 50,000 readers - and wish to submit digests of the reports - when applicable

First, however, I would appreciate very much your confident evaluation of the "Washington Report"; also the American Security Council a responsible source to be relied upon. |REC-25|/00-425-A25-A25-A25|

Thank you very much - our prayers are with you, and have to with your for many years.

Sincere

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As you can see, our action has been direct and effective. But even as ASC continues to work steadily toward Peace, the nuclear clock goes on ticking... ticking... ticking.

ASC's OPERATION ALERT report showed that the U. S. is now No. 2 in military power, and day by day we are becoming a weaker No. 2. This greatly encourages the Kremlin to take even greater risks!

We must move immediately and with new resolve to strengthen the ASC's efforts to achieve Peace through strength. But we are not a subsidized group. We have no financial support from any government agency! All our work depends on the dollars that you and I and other friends contribute regularly in support of the aggressive Cold War we are waging against Communism.

I am, therefore, personally extending to you this appeal for your support in our vital 1971 effort, with these urgent priorities:

- 1. Inauguration of a TV version of the radio <u>Washington</u> <u>Report.</u>
- 2. Preparation of a report on the 1971 Strategic Military Balance of Power U.S.S.R. vs. U.S.A. (it's getting worse!)
- 3. An all-out effort to double circulation of the Washington Report newsletter to over 100,000.
- 4. Double the number of Latin American stations which are part of Radio Free Americas.
- 5. Seminars for the press and opinion leaders at the Freedom Studies Center and around the country.

I urge you to renew your participation in ASC's drive for a strong, free America by mailing your contribution to me in the enclosed envelope today.

Yours for Peace Through Strength,

Elbridge Durbrow

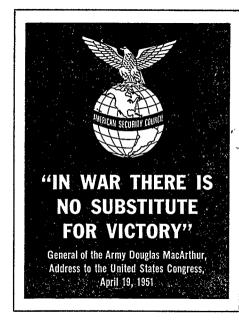
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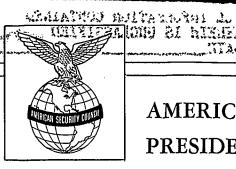
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I am pleased to fulfill my commitment to you as a 1970 supporter, by reporting to you the following accomplishments which your help made possible toward strengthening the American Security Council as one of the world's most effective anti-Communist organizations. In 1970 alone, the American Security Council:

- 1. Produced and distributed 2,497,512 copies of an analysis of the national security voting records of all members of Congress. This was supported by nationwide publicity and full page ads in over 100 newspapers.
- 2. Conducted a National Security Issues Poll with 115,599 participants—including the readers of 207 newspapers which published the Poll. The newspaper phase alone was by far the largest multi-newspaper poll ever conducted.
- 3. Established a National Advisory Board of informed opinion leaders in every major community. This has multiplied both the ASC's effectiveness and the circulation of the ASC Washington Report.
- 4. Produced and sponsored 91,260 national-security-issue radio broadcasts on 351 stations nationwide.
- 5. Continued to expand our Chicago Research Center, one of the largest libraries in the world on Communism (6,414 research requests were handled in 1970). The Research Center's sources of information made it possible for the ASC to frequently be the first to accurately report plans for future disruptions by revolutionary groups.

I am sure that you can see from these examples of our growing effectiveness that your support was a high leverage investment—particularly since the broader participation opens the way to even more effectiveness in 1971.

Sincerely,

John M. Fisher

President

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Your letter, with enclosure, was received on

April 12th and I want to thank you for your thoughtfulness.

Your kind remarks regarding my work are most encouraging and your support certainly means a great deal to me.

Sincerely yours,

J. Edgar Hoover

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O American Security Council

I couldn't help but send you this letter on reading your so called "Eulogy" in the 9 April 71 issue of "Life magazine by Mr. Tom Wicker.

I must say in all honestly Mr. Hoover that in my opinion I think it was really a great tribute to you and I sincerly mean this.

Since my early days, I have had a great admiration for you, the F. B. I. and what you have and still stand for, and any person, or persons, or organizations who try to take the admiration and figurehead of "Right" away from the young people of today, then they had better think twice, because personally, we've built up the "crook" or "Bad man" long enough, on T. V. and every other means of advertisement for "the Bad guys".

Aside from the above thoughts, I was glad to know a little bit I am 48 next month and this is the very first thing I have ever read much about you except in headlines in the paper.

As it states on page 39 "you have the sturdy guts to stand your ground against the pack."

You know sir, I learned through the years in the American Legion (as past, District Commander, and Dept. of Utah Americanism Chairman, and the hardest of all, Judge Advocate) that you can't please everyone, and if we can obtain respect even if there is dislike, we have 1/2 the battle won.

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Miss Gandy....

I think that it isn't "what we do and say is not as important as "how" we do and say it, and stick to our convictions you really (through and through) confused and upset everyone by not saying anything, then all at once you have facts and opinion, and throws the whole thing into confusion.

I want you to understand I am not <u>critisizing</u> Mr. Wicker in a derogatory way, and I truly think he did a fine job on the portion entitled "Nobody dares to pick your successor."

There is something I certainly do agree with you on, Mr. Hoover, and I think you should stand up in a few other "Houses" and "Senate" floors, and holler out against Communism because we're too "damn dumb" as a people to accept the reality of Communism and what it can do to us. I love our country and would die for it if I had to.

They can say what they want about Senator "Joe" Mc Carthy years ago but he used to put "cheese in the mousetrap" and kept the rotten Commies running from us all the time.

I agree with past General Lemay of SAC a few years ago when he stated that "Communism countries (Russia and China) will never beat us at a war (because "right is right,") but that we Americans would defeat ourselves within by ignorance non-acceptance of the reality of it.

Something else Sir, I certainly agree with you on the manner that you established the F. B. I. and that is to establish importance and pride, and safety and the pay to go with it, the way you have. I preach this every day -- To be an F. B. I. man would be of the highest American honor in this whole wide world, and to carry on and maintain honesty, truth, pride, and lack of temptation.

I think that John F. Kennedy, (whom I loved and revered, because he "cared" for people and he had the guts to challenge the "little fat Boy" from Russia in the Cuban Incident, and won) made the right decision and I feel it was a Godsend that you were reappointed. I think change and progress is very important, but if something is working why change it, as long as it gets the job done?

I truly think its a good thing to have Congress and Senate choose your succesor but I feel you should make your choice, and then be considered and maybe work with you 'till you get 'damned good and ready to retire.'

I hope you haven't minded my writing to you Mr. Hoover but whatever religion you are, and with the help of God, I congratulate you for a job well done.

Attached and forewarded (just for info.) is a copy of the "Wash. Report" issued to us American Security Council - I've been in a year now.

Signed

Berdell L. Blair Hill AF B Utah Minutemen Division 26 Years Fed. Service

P. S. Note - As you can tell - I am not a "Dove" but a "Hawk" on Communism. I personally think it would be very intelligent to set up the Treasury and other depts. like yours.

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THE FALL OFFENSIVE

Just a year ago, Washington Report discussed the plans for the Vietnam Moratorium and various other anti-Vietnam activities to be carried out by the newly-formed New Mobe. New Mobe, more properly New Mobilization For Peace in Vietnam, had been hammered together in Cleveland last year and included in its ranks, activists from various pacifist, Communist and Trotskyite groups. By the time it had arranged and managed the November "Mobilization" in Washington last fall, its administrative machinery was firmly in the hands of the Trotskyites.

It was obvious that the many factions represented in New Mobe could not long remain together under the narrowly dogmatic leadership of the Socialist Workers Party (a communist splinter faction based on the teachings of Trotsky) and its affiliated groups, the Young Socialist Alliance and Student Mobilization. After the fall demonstrations, the factionalism began in earnest and New Mobe began to come apart at the seams. The Trotskyites pulled away from New Mobe leaving it under the domination of some old-line Communist Party people and itinerant leftist-pacifists and by late spring, 1970 were ready with their own operation.

The National Emergency Conference

On June 19-21, the SWP, Young Socialist Alliance and Student Mobe staged a "National Emergency Conference" in Cleveland, Ohio. According to the Party's paper, The Militant, 1,447 were registered including the usual assortment of standard figureheads purporting to represent non-communist groups. Among the speakers listed in The Militant were Dr. George Traicoff, a Dean at Cuyahoga Community College, John Gergen, Vice President, Council of Churches of Greater Cleveland and Rosalio Munoz of the Chicano Moratorium Committee. Even Cleveland Mayor Carl Stokes sent a telegram of support. But the communist-oriented Guardian provided a more factual though equally Marxist account:

"The meeting signified a deepening split in the anti-war movement. There were no representatives from the New Mobilization Committee—the major anti-war coalition. Nor any from the Communist Party, Women's Strike for Peace or traditional anti-

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war groups. All of the organized political tendencies put it, except the Progressive Labor Party, had their roots in the Trotskyite movement."

The end product of the meeting was the formation of a National Peace Action Coalition, dominated by the Trotskyites and focused on the single issue of immediate withdrawal of all U.S. troops from Vietnam.

No Mass Action Planned

At the time of the Conference, demonstrations were planned for a number of U.S. cities on October 31 and local groups were set up to implement them, but real planning has been slow to take shape. Thus, on October 1, a six-column ad was placed in the New York Times calling for a National Strike For Peace on October 15. No mass demonstrations were planned but, rather a number of alternative suggestions were made ranging from letterwriting to local demonstrations to just "think peaceful thoughts." A second ad appeared in the Times of October 4.

In the meantime, with New Mobe floundering, the Communist Party USA, has not been standing still. Party functionaries and activists were very much in evidence at a "Strategy Action Conference" run by New Mobe in Milwaukee late in June. Most of the 800 persons attending the Milwaukee meetings represented the same groups that had formed New Mobe but this time, the Trotskyites were not in the driver's seat. Fred Halstead, the SWP's titular head was present with some lesser Party lights but they were clearly on the outside, looking in.

The Strategy Action Conference, as had been urged by Communist Party leaders, recommended a program of action to go beyond opposition to the war. In classic Communist style, the "class struggle" was urged as a fundamental part of future actions.

Actions Endorsed

In actual fact, the Conference formally decided almost nothing except that regional meetings would be held in August and that the Conference would re-convene in September to plan a course of action, a tactic which may have provided time for the C.P. faction to consolidate its power. The Conference did endorse a number of actions but made no move to implement them. Almost everybody's "pet project" was included in the actions. They included:

- "- support for NWRO (National Welfare Rights Organization) struggle for an annual income of \$5,500.
- Call for disruption of the war machine in Washington.
- Develop emergency decentralized disruptive tactics in the event of major escalation of repression at home or war abroad.
- endorse circulation of a mass petition on black genocide to be delivered to the U.N.
- encourage work stoppages and withdrawal of labor services during the year ahead.
- fight against sexism within the movement and in the larger community.
- intensify support for draft resistance specifically as expressed in the UNDO (Union for National Draft Opposition) proposal.
- endorse the broad action program of the Chicano Moratorium
- Advance a national economic boycott focused on the refusal to buy products of the Standard Oil Corporation."

The Communist Approach

During July, Claude Lightfoot, Vice Chairman of the CPUSA discussed the sessions with the C.P.'s Political Committee. His remarks were distributed to the Party faithful in the

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August issue of Party Affairs, a C. P. internal organ. Lightfoot told his omrades of the problem of New Mobe's disintegration and the "danger" that the "peace" issue "might be diminished". He said, "We went to Atlanta and to Milwaukee and found that New Mobe is already almost out of existence. When I spoke to Dowd (Douglas Dowd, professor of economics, Cornell University) and some of the rest about it, they said: 'Well, look, we may not need New Mobe now that we've got this." Lightfoot, however, indicated the need for New Mobe as a single issue group to complement the move to a multi-issue group.

In addition, Lightfoot said, "Now regarding the Cleveland conference sponsored by the Trotskyites, it would have been suicide if Arnold Johnson (the C.P.'s publicity director) or any of us had showed up there—in terms of even our relationship with the New Mobe, because these people were under attack."

Then Lightfoot revealed the Communist Party's purpose in their participation. "When the New Mobe regional conferences take place, we can't do as we did in Milwaukee, just have a little handful of people. We have to get in there. And, if we get in there with both feet, I think we will be in a position together with the rank-and-file labor development, together with the Genocide Petition which cuts across all of this—which brings all of it to focus around an issue—we are on our way to the beginnings of the building of a mass party."

Midwest Regional Meeting

The C. P. did, indeed "get in there with both feet". The Midwest Regional Conference held August 28-30 in Wheeling, a Chicago suburb, was arranged by the Chicago Peace Council, run by Sylvia Kushner, a self-admitted party member. Of about 75 people present, fully 20 were either members of the Com-

munist Party, members of the Party's new youth front, Young Workers Liberation League or representatives of the Chicago Peace Council.

The Strategy Action Conference re-convened in Milwaukee from September 11 to 13 and formed the National Coalition Against War, Racism and Repression, a title that reflects the multi-purpose character of the group. Its program includes demonstrations in support of the Black Panthers, demonstrations at welfare offices, local peace demonstrations on October 31 and two future mass demonstrations. One is to be held during the week of November 15 at the U.N. building in New York to protest alleged American "genocide" and the other, set for early May, 1971 is to be a massive anti-Vietnam program "which will include nonviolent civil disobedience and other non-violent mass action."

It is worth noting that the Midwest Region of the New Coalition will be located in Room 1416, 343 South Dearborn Street, Chicago, the offices of the Chicago Peace Council. Sylvia Kushner and Pat Richartz of the CPC staff are the contacts.

On September 19, the Trotskyite group, now the National Peace Action Coalition, met in Chicago to firm up plans for their October 31 demonstrations.

New Mobe Dead

So, New Mobe is dead and the Trotskyites and CPUSA are fighting over the bones. The Trotskyites have demonstrated the organizational talent to put together a massive demonstration but the groups who furnish most of the bodies for this sort of demonstration, Women's Strike For Peace, the Southern Christian Leadership Conference, The National Welfare Rights Organization, the American Friends Service Committee and the other left-

overs from New Mobe have one along with the New C.P.—dominated ground

In a recently published pamphlet entitled, "Terrorism-Is It Revolutionary?", Gil Green, a member of the National Committee of the CPUSA, rejects the current wave of urban guerrilla warfare tactics, at least for the present. His argument is that a real revolutionary situation does not yet exist in the United States and that, therefore, acts of terrorism and violence still only serve to arouse resistance to the entire revolutionary movement. For its view of "prematurism" the CPUSA is regarded as "old and stogy" by many of the more violence-prone activists of the New Left but the C. P. sees its task as one of building. It still stands in a unique position, having behind it the power base of the U.S.S.R. It hopes to use its present role in "the movement" not to create an immediate armed conflict but, rather, to gather numerical strength, re-infiltrate to

positions of some affluence and-remain at the beck and call of Soviet principal.

The Communist Party Position

The C P's present line is political but it does not see power through political means. It remains a Marxist-Leninist Party, accepting the basic Leninist dogma which demands revolutionary overthrow.

It must be remembered and, perhaps, reemphasized that the interests of the U.S.S.R., whether manifested in Vietnam, the Middle East, Paris or Helsinki remain totally hostile to those of the United States. We must also remember and re-emphasize that the Communist Party USA, like its 81 counterparts in other nations of the non-communist world, has only one loyalty, one master, the Communist Party of the Soviet Union.

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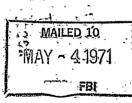
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Your letter, with enclosures, was received on April 30th and your expression of support is appreciated. In reply to your inquiry, the FBI is strictly an investigative agency of the Federal Government and, as such, neither makes evaluations nor draws conclusions as to the character or integrity of any organization, publication or individual. hope you will not infer either that we do or do not have data in our filesrelating to the American Security Council. The material you enclosed is being returned herewith.

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J. Edgar Hoover

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Because you are an opinion leader in Hamden, you have been nominated to serve on our prestigious National Advisory Board and also to participate in our 1971 National Security Issues Poll.

This is, of course, subject to your acceptance.

For your convenience and to insure accurate poll has been typed tabulation, your name, on the enclosed Ballot.

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2. 2,497,512 copies of the Poll results were distributed and supported by nationwide publicity and full page ads in over 100 newspapers. According to the Washington Evening Star, this made the weapons gap an election issue.

Key people in both the Republican and Democratic parties tell me that a well-publicized 1971 National . Security Issues Poll would be very influential in shaping national security decisions during this crucial year.

The cost will be at least \$78,000 and this includes researchers, printing, distribution and publicity for the Poll. For example, it will take a minimum of 1,916 hours of staff research to authenticate and score the ballots and to compile the results.

This crucial project is beyond our present budget, so we will need your help and the help of many other concerned Americans to make this a success.

We need your vote and your support. Let Members of Congress know where you stand. Join with the other opinion leaders on our National Advisory Board to strengthen your influence and theirs.

Please complete your personal Ballot and return it to me as soon as possible. We ask each member of the National Advisory Board to contribute a minimum of \$10.00 to cover administration of his membership for one year. (Your Board membership includes the ASC Washington Report newsletter. The annual subscription for this alone would otherwise be \$10.00.) But, if you can give more toward making the Poll a success, please do so.

Sincerely,

John M. Fisher President

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P. S. We believe that most Americans support a strong national defense against Communist aggression, but we cannot prove it without your cooperation in this Poll.

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8. The United States strategy of nuclear deterrance now depends primarily upon destroying cities and killing people in retaliation to an enemy nuclear strike. This is in contrast to the historic strategy of focusing on the enemy's arms and armed forces while retaining the option of destroying cities. Do you prefer the present strategy? 9. Should the United States have a national objective of victory (achieved when Soviet Communism no longer controls or threatens non-Russian countries) in the Cold War? 10. Should the United States lift its trade embargo against Rhodesia? **** NATIONAL ADVISORY BOARD MEMBERSHIP ACCEPTANCE Dear Mr. Fisher: Yes! I accept your invitation to serve on the ASC's National Advisory Board. Enclosed is my \$10* to cover the cost of administering my membership. I also wish to help in conducting the poll and distributing the Poll results to the President, the Congress, and the news media. This additional contribution is included in the amount circled below. I HAVE ENCLOSED (Circle One) \$500 \$250 S100 \$1000 \$50 \$25 \$15 \$10 Other \$ PLEASE MAKE CHECK PAYABLE TO: ASC ISSUES POLL Signature (Please correct any error in your name and address on reverse side.) *includes \$5 (50 % off regular subscription price) to cover the direct annual cost of the ASC Washington Report newsjetter to keep you up to date on the Poll and on national security issues. If you have a question you would like voted on in the next poll, please write it below or on a separate sheet. Also, we would welcome any comments or suggestions you may have.

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Please check the one box which most nearly represents-your-position on eachissue.

- Should teachers in public schools who advocate violent revolution be discharged and prosecuted?
- Should Congress amend old laws and/or pass new laws to strengthen our defense against violent revolution?
- Should the United States withdraw foreign aid or other support from any country which trades with North Vietnam?
- 4. Should the United States back the South
 Vietnamese in military, economic and psychological operations against North Vietnam?
- 5. Should the United States have a psychological warfare program as effective as that of the Soviet Union?
- 6. Should the United States have the capability of destroying most missiles before they can strike U. S. targets?
- 7. Should the United States maintain military strength greater than that of Russia?

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J. Edgar Hoover

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